

SOUTH NEWFANE.

Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Surprise.

Mr. and Mrs. Ebenezer N. Stratton, formerly of this place, were given a surprise party at their home in Suffield, Conn., Saturday evening, in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary. The anniversary day was Thursday. It was impossible for those who had the matter in charge to arrange the party for that day. It passed quietly, however, Mr. and Mrs. Stratton quite off their guard if they had entertained any suspicions of a demonstration.

It was, therefore, a great surprise to them to have their home invaded Saturday evening by 50 friends, relatives and acquaintances, who came to have a merry time with them. Ice cream and cake were served. A gift of \$30 was presented to the bride and groom of 25 years, together with congratulations and best wishes, with which to begin the second quarter century of their married life.

The meeting of the ladies' Benevolent society at the vestry Wednesday afternoon was well attended.

Mrs. Mason White has returned to Brattleboro after spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. Murray H. Cheney.

The sudden change from zero temperature to the springlike weather of Tuesday and Wednesday started the sugar-makers into the maple woods tapping trees and hanging buckets, both being good sap days.

Mrs. A. E. Atwood of Brattleboro, who was at H. E. Sparks's a week, returned home Tuesday afternoon. She was accompanied by her niece, Mrs. Erwin C. Sparks, who will remain with her a few days.

Calvin Lane has been suffering from rheumatism some time. Just as he is recovering from that trouble a gathering in the head has overtaken him and the little boy is still far from well.

NEWFANE.

Grange Prizes Offered.

At the meeting of Newfane Grange Wednesday evening much interest was shown in the Grange paper. All parts were well taken and there were many jokes on all the members. The Grange voted to award three prizes to children under 18, at the Grange fair, one for corn, one for potatoes and one for best garden collection. Henry Wilson also offers three prizes for corn, the seed furnished by him, each string to contain 19 ears. This is open to everyone.

Laudis Covey has some arbutus which he gathered the first of the week.

Mrs. Arvilla Eddy came Wednesday to visit in the home of her son, Herman L. Eddy.

Miss Ruth and Charlie Fay of Agawam, children of Mrs. Fannie Fay, are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Whitaker, also at their uncle's, John Whitaker, on Newfane hill.

E. W. Parsons, who is now in Brattleboro at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. S. Wilson, was remembered Sunday by a shower of over 50 postcards from Newfane friends, it being the 80th anniversary of his birthday.

WINDHAM.

Dorr Eddy went to Boston Monday to work.

Charlie Fountain and family recently visited friends in town.

Irene Ingalls is home from Middlebury college suffering from tonsillitis and quinsy sore throat, but is improving and hopes to be able to return soon.

BROOKLINE.

Preparations are being made for a Bunker's memorial service in the Baptist Church Easter Sunday.

WEST NORTHFIELD.

E. L. Corse has sold all his cows but one and an account of feeble health hopes to secure some one to run his farm this summer.

Miss Alice Homer is keeping house for W. H. Hackett. Mrs. Hackett is in Boston attending Christian Science meetings a short time.

Three Oaks, Mich., was named for three giant oak trees which stood on the land occupied by the town. All three of the trees rotted away to the root long ago. Several attempts to replace them with young trees resulted in failure, but now the citizens boast of three healthy young oaks standing in the town park.

It is estimated that 110,000,000 horse shoes were manufactured in America last year. From 1906 to 1910 the number of horses in this country increased from 13,000,000 to 21,000,000.

Pineapples

Strawberries

Tomatoes

Celery

Green Peppers

Cucumbers

Cauliflower

Radishes

Spinach

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DEATH OF

CAPT. B. R. ALLEN

Civil War Veteran and Former Prominent Resident of Newport, N. H., Died Here in Daughter's Home.

Capt. Benjamin R. Allen, former representative to the New Hampshire legislature from Newport, N. H., long time singing master, expert cabinet maker, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. F. Bingham of Highlawn avenue, at 5.19 o'clock this morning of arterio sclerosis. He had been in failing health some time and death was not unexpected.

Capt. Allen was born in Newport, N. H., May 29, 1833, son of S. J. and Betsy Carr (Chase) Allen. He attended the public schools of the town and learned the shoemaker's trade, at which he was employed in Newport, Manchester, N. H., and Haverhill, Mass. Gifted with an exceptional voice he sang for a half century in the choir of the Congregational church of Newport and for 30 years was leader of that body of vocalists. He had a natural bent for carpentry work and became an expert workman on the finest kind of work. Much of the furniture in the homes of his children is the result of his skill.

Mr. Allen enlisted at Newport in April, 1862 in Company K of the 9th New Hampshire regiment and before his regiment reached the front was promoted to orderly sergeant. He was rapidly promoted to second and first lieutenancies and finally to be captain, in each instance the promotions being made for bravery on the field of battle. When he attained his captaincy he was put in command of Company H of his regiment. He was in the battles of Antietam and the Wilderness among other engagements and was wounded in the right arm on one occasion. He was in Washington on his way back to the front from a furlough on the night President Lincoln was shot in Ford's theatre. He was mustered out of the service in Washington in 1865.

A staunch Republican from early manhood Capt. Allen had served his native town of Newport in many different capacities of an official nature, having been selectman, auditor, supervisor and road commissioner upon different occasions. He also served in the state legislature from Newport in 1890 and 1891. He was a long time member of the Fred Smyth post, G. A. R., of Newport, of the Congregational church and of Mt. Vernon lodge of Masons, both of Newport.

Capt. Allen was twice married. His first wife was Miss Mary H. Gilmore of Newport. She died in December, 1889. He married for his second wife, who survives him, Mrs. Lillian T. Heard of Vernon. Besides his wife he leaves four daughters, Mrs. C. F. Bingham, at whose home he died, Mrs. H. A. Willey at Mrs. W. H. Corser and Miss M. Blanche Allen of Schenectady, N. Y., and a son, Fred J. Allen of East Point, Ga. He also leaves four grandchildren, H. A. Bingham of Buffalo, N. Y., Benjamin P. Bingham of Brattleboro, Carrie May Allen and P. D. Allen of Atlanta, Ga., one great-grandchild, Mary Sylvia Bingham of Buffalo, N. Y., and a sister, Mrs. Julia A. Webber of Brattleboro.

Prayer will be offered in the home of Mrs. Bingham Saturday morning at 9.30 o'clock by Rev. Roy M. Houghton and the body will be taken to Newport, accompanied by Mr. Houghton. The funeral services will be conducted in the First Congregational church of Newport and the burial will take place in that town.

WEST BRATTLEBORO.

Leslie Tyler of Northfield, Mass., visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. L. Stockwell, yesterday.

The Risen Christ, by Schnecker, is the cantata to be given in the First Congregational church Easter Sunday evening by the choirs of the two local churches.

George Birch and family will move from 207 Western avenue to Elisha Prouty's new house on Bonnyvale road about April 1.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Stellman entertained the Neighbors' club at 500 last evening at their home. A musical program was rendered and a luncheon was served. The hostess was presented a picture from the members of the club.

CRIMINAL LIBEL CASE.

Director of Grand Opera Sues a Magazine Publisher.

BOSTON, March 13.—The trial of Philip H. Kahn, a magazine publisher charged with criminally libelling Director Henry Russell of the Boston grand opera company, set for today, was postponed until tomorrow. Among the witnesses summoned are President Eben D. Jordan of the opera company, Mrs. Russell, Conductor Caplet and some singers.

It is alleged that Kahn criticised Russell as an opera producer.

BOSTON RATHER QUIET.

But Few Disturbances in Neighborhood Affected by Strike.

Boston, March 13.—But few disturbances took place today attending the attempt of striking garment workers to prevent non-union employees from entering the shops. Three girl strikers were arrested.

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BRATTLEBORO LOCAL.

The ladies' auxiliary of Brattleboro lodge, N. E. O. P., will meet tomorrow night at 7.30 with Mrs. Ada Niles of High street.

The lecture on Esperanto by John C. Pellett last night in Red Men's hall was listened to with much interest. Mr. Pellett has a thorough understanding of the language and is much interested in it.

Gen. Andrew Jackson chapter, United States Daughters of 1812, will meet in the home of Mrs. F. W. Gipson on High street Saturday at 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Ballard of Portland, Me., have this week announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Edna Marie Ballard, to Clifford Leoux Leys of this town.

The mission circle of the Universalist church will meet with Mrs. F. H. Harris Thursday, March 20. The devotional meeting will be at 3 o'clock, watchword "Faith." A paper will be given by Mrs. George E. Warner.

Brattleboro lodge, N. E. O. P., has been invited by Greenfield lodge to attend a class initiation in Greenfield next Thursday evening. All who can go are asked to notify Secretary Spencer W. Knight as soon as possible.

Manager George E. Fox, who has sustained damage through the defacement of his theater billboards, had a youth taken into custody last night for scratching his initials on a large highly-polished picture displayed in the front part of the town hall building. The boy has been given the option of settling or paying costs of prosecution.

The funeral of Edward V. Sheldon, who died at his home in West Dummerston Monday, was held yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock in the Baptist church of that town. Rev. Charles Rivier attended and the burial took place in the West Dummerston cemetery. Mrs. R. C. Baldwin and Mrs. Samuel Clark sang and the bearers were Herbert Tuttle, Frank Leonard, Wilfred Moran and Thomas Clark.

PERSONAL.

Jesse C. Johnson is ill with mumps. Mrs. W. R. Daley is suffering from laryngitis.

Mrs. George Phillips of Cedar street is ill with bronchitis.

Harry Douglas returned to Shelburne Falls Monday after spending a few days with his sisters, the Misses Douglas of Spruce street.

Bert Crouch has resumed his work for W. A. Morse after being ill with grip.

Charles Ross and family came to Charles Wheeler's yesterday to spend a few weeks.

Mrs. George Streeter and two sons, who had been visiting at Lester Clark's, returned to their home in Springfield, Mass., Sunday.

Mrs. C. L. Spear, who has been with relatives in New York the past five weeks, is expected home Saturday.

Mrs. Charles Mather, who had been at Norman Darling's four weeks, went away Sunday. Mrs. Darling is improving.

Mrs. Clarence Bruce and children all are ill with severe colds.

Mrs. Frank Bement of Homestead place is critically ill.

Abbott Stone and Mrs. May Morris left this morning for Springfield, Mass., to stay the rest of the week.

Miss Pauline Morris is attending the mid-winter vacation session of the North Adams normal school.

Miss Josephine Wentworth has returned to work at Bascom's millinery parlors.

Miss Lillian Craig of Boston began work today as designer at Bascom's millinery parlors.

Patsy Biasi, an Italian lad of 10 years of this town, underwent an operation for appendicitis yesterday at Farren hospital. Although his condition is considered of a serious nature it is believed he will recover.

Miss Grace Miner has returned from a visit in Athol, Mass.

Mrs. Henry Auger of Jamaica, N. Y., is expected today to spend several days with her mother, Mrs. Jennie T. Warren.

Miss Elizabeth Sargent entertained a party at 500 last evening.

Miss Signe C. Soderberg of Providence, R. I., is a guest of Mrs. J. C. Johnson.

E. S. Hall and son, Hubert, are attending the automobile show in Boston.

BIRTHS.

In Brattleboro, March 10, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. William Anderson.

In Vardolobro, March 8, a son to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Allen.

In Landgrove, March 10, a daughter, Dorothy Vivian, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bates.

In Springfield, Mass., March 5, a daughter, Alice May, to John and Ruth (Plummer) Burke and granddaughter to Mrs. Ella Plummer, formerly of West Brattleboro.

In Greenfield, Mass., Feb. 20, at the Franklin county hospital, a son, Burton Gilbert, to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Burton Brown and grandson to Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Parsons of Boston and Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Brown of Brattleboro.

MARRIAGES.

In West Somerville, Mass., March 12, by Rev. Roy M. Houghton of Brattleboro and Rev. Mr. Handel of Tremont Temple, Boston, Edward C. Crosby and Mrs. Julia L. Parker, both of Brattleboro.

DEATHS.

In Brattleboro, March 13, Capt. Benjamin R. Allen, 80.

In West Brattleboro, March 13, Henry Amish, 76.

In Whitingham, March 7, Eli Newell, 68.

In Halifax, March 9, Mrs. Arminia Hudson, 72.

In South Windham, Feb. 28, H. N. Shaw, 85.

In Cambridge, Mass., Marc 11, Miss Jeannette H. Macley, formerly of Brattleboro.

In Windham, March 7, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Ingalls.

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